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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: L. SHAPIRO

Application No.: 09/518,081

Group Art Unit: 1652

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Examiner: Kathleen Kerr

For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
INHIBITING APOPTOSIS USING SERINE  
PROTEASE INHIBITORS (AS AMENDED)

Attorney Docket No. 330310.00200

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2004 (Paper No. 25), and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter the following the Amendments and Remarks below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**